



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

VHA FOIA Office (10A7)
Veterans Health Administration
Washington, DC 20420

September 18, 2019

FOIA Request: VHA-18-11239-F

Jasper Craven
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Dear Jasper Craven:

This letter is the initial agency decision to your July 27, 2018, request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, submitted to the Department of Veterans Affairs, FOIA Service requesting:

1. All email communications between Dr. Keita Franklin and Jeff Miller, a lobbyist at McDermott, Will & Emery, January 1, 2018 and present.

2. The following search terms:

- A. Meeting
- B. PTSD
- C. Private
- D. Cohen
- E. Invisible wounds
- F. Care.

As indicated within the August 13, 2018 letter, your request was referred your request to the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Central Office FOIA Office for further processing and direct response to you. Your FOIA request was received in my office on August 10, 2018

The VA's Office of Information Technology conducted a search for documents responsive to your request. VHA searched the email accounts of Keita Franklin searching specifically for all email communications between Keita Franklin and Jeff Miller with the following terms "Meeting, PTSD, Private, Cohen, invisible wounds, care" from January 1, 2018 through September 24, 2018. At the conclusion of the search, two (2) emails, totaling three (3) pages, were determined to be responsive to your request. All information is provided in its entirety. No portions of the requested records

have been withheld either in whole or in part. This concludes VHA's response to your FOIA request.

Please be advised you may appeal this full grant response to:

Office of the General Counsel (024)
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20420 Email:
ogcfoiaappeals@va.gov

If you should choose to file an appeal, your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted no later than ninety (90) calendar days from the date of this letter. Please include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly state why you disagree with the determinations set forth in this response.

You may also seek assistance and/or dispute resolution services for any other aspect of your FOIA request from VHA's FOIA Public Liaison and/or Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) as provided below:

VHA FOIA Public Liaison:
Email Address: vhafioa2@va.gov
Phone Number: (877) 461-5038

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
Email: ogis@nara.gov
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Mailing address: Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road
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If you need any further assistance or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, please do not hesitate to contact me at (319) 530-7694 or via email at amber.heim@va.gov.

Sincerely,



Amber Heim
VHA FOIA Officer

Enclosure